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DOH CITES CLOSE CONSTRUCTION FOR SOLID WASTE VIOLATIONS

HONOLULU -- The Hawaii State Department of Health (DOH) has filed a Notice and Finding of Violation and Order (NOVO) against Close Construction, Inc. for illegal solid waste activities that occurred in June 2012. The company was cited for operation of an unpermitted solid waste management system that was accepting large amounts of concrete rubble at TMK 950020030000, Kamehameha Hwy., Waipio, Oahu.

The violation was discovered during a DOH investigation of a public complaint. The department imposed a penalty of \$5,600 and ordered Close Construction, Inc. to cease accepting solid waste and remove all solid waste from the facility. Close Construction, Inc. has requested a hearing to contest the allegations or order.

The DOH Solid Waste Section regulates standards governing the design, construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of solid waste disposal, recycling, reclamation, and transfer systems. Such standards are intended to prevent pollution of the drinking water supply or waters of the state; prevent air pollution; prevent the spread of disease and the creation of nuisances; protect the public health and safety; conserve natural resources; and preserve and enhance the beauty and quality of the environment.

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